

# BRITISH MAY LAUNCH DRIVE

## Activity at Montdidier Menaces Army of Prince Rupprecht

### AMERICANS ARE KEPT UNDER INTENSE FIRE

(By Associated Press)  
WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN THE VESLE (Monday), Aug. 5.—Americans who captured Flines are members of the same organization that occupied Coulognes, Cohen and Dravigny during the advance north from the Marne. All civilians left in Coban in the French retreat last spring were found in the village church, where they had been kept under guard there by Germans. Most of them were old men, women or children. The Germans facing the

### Fight Like Hell the Reason Why

(By Associated Press)  
AMSTERDAM, Aug. 6.—"Satan" is the name for the American soldiers among German soldiers, according to Lieutenant Ranke, who writes for the German papers.

### FRANCO AMERICAN FORCES HOLD NORTH BANK OF VESLE WAITING FOR ARTILLERY AND MEN TO ARRIVE

(By Associated Press)  
The situation on the Rheims-Soisson front has been stabilized temporarily while the opposing force is preparing further movements. Probably General Foch is waiting until men and guns reach the Vesle in strong force before resuming.

(By Associated Press)  
WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON THE VESLE (Monday), Aug. 5.—The Americans took seventeen guns and some German artillerymen when they captured Flines.

(By Associated Press)  
PARIS, Aug. 6.—The French have reached the west bank of the Aisne between Braches and Morisel, north of Montdidier. The operation is considered a direct menace to a junction at that point of the armies of General von Hutier and Crown Prince Rupprecht.

North of the Vesle the Germans have been repulsed in efforts to dislodge the French. American units have crossed from the south bank. German attacks failed to disturb temporary stabilization of the front. The allied command has retained the initiative in these operations. Military critics agree that the Germans will not remain long where their position is considered untenable.

The bombardment of Paris continued today.

### HOW BABY DESTROYED SUBMARINE

STRATAGEM DISARMS SUSPICION AND CAUSES LOSS OF U-BOAT

(By Associated Press)  
LONDON, Aug. 6.—A naval correspondent of the Times in describing the work of British mystery ships in anti-submarine warfare relates how a "woman and baby" on a vessel ordered to surrender by a U-boat accounted for a submarine. The woman ran up on deck as if mad. The U-boat came alongside. The woman buried her "baby" into an open hatch where the "baby" exploded and the submarine sank. The woman was decorated with the Victoria Cross.

### MINISTER OF MARINE TO RESIGN SHORTLY

(By Associated Press)  
ZURICH, Aug. 6.—The German minister of marine, von Capelle will resign shortly, according to Berlin dispatches.

### INEVITABLE DEFEAT IS PREDICTED

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—(Official)—Dispatches received at Washington said the Vienna Arbeiter Zeitung publicly admitted that man power will determine the war. It is inconceivable that the numerical superiority of the entente is increasing daily. The newspaper added: "That a formal avowal of the inevitable defeat which is awaiting the central powers," has caused great despondency in Austria.

### CASUALTY LIST GIVEN AS 16,409

TOTAL KILLED, WOUNDED, MISSING AND CAPTURED LESS THAN EXPECTED

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—Four hundred and ninety-eight army and marine casualties in the fighting on the Marne-Aisne front were announced today. The total since the first Americans landed in France is 16,409. The lists arriving probably include the casualties of several days' fighting.

Army: Killed in action, 31; including Privates Cottrell of Sausal Glen, Cal., and Hartman of San Francisco; died of wounds, 6; wounded severely, 313, including Privates Curales of San Francisco, and Hegler of Walker, Cal.; wounded to a degree undetermined, 7; prisoner, 1.

Marines: Killed in action, 7; died of wounds, 3, including Private Rosel of Orange, Cal.; wounded severely, 18; wounded to a degree undetermined, 11; slightly, 1.

Private Senecal of Oakland, and Cantero of San Francisco were wounded to a degree undetermined.

### WAAC ORGANIZER KILLED ON SHIP

(By Associated Press)  
LONDON, Aug. 6.—One woman was lost by the torpedoing of the ambulance transport Warelda. She was Mrs. Violet Long, chief controller of the British woman's army auxiliary corps, which she founded early in the war with her sister. Mrs. Long took over a detachment to be assigned to the American army on her last trip to France.

### THREE KILLED IN DAKOTA TOWN

MYSTERY ATTACHED TO A SHOOTING PULLED OFF IN A HOTEL

(By Associated Press)  
CANOVA, S. Dak., Aug. 6.—A man and two women, including the wife of a Canova banker, are dead as the result of a mysterious shooting at the Royal hotel last night. A boy, believed to have been brought here by J. R. Williams of Anderson, Mo., was the only witness. It is believed Williams shot himself. One of the dead women is believed to be Williams' wife and the other Mrs. F. Dexter.

### EFFORT TO ADJUST WAGES ON COAST

(By Associated Press)  
PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 6.—Representatives of western plants and officials of the Emergency Fleet corporation were present today at a conference begun in an effort to adjust conditions and wages in Pacific coast shipyards.

### EDITORS OFFER A REWARD FOR SUBS

(By Associated Press)  
HALIFAX, Aug. 6.—The Herald and Evening Mail have offered \$5000 reward for information leading to location of a possible German submarine base on the Nova Scotia coast or the Bay of Fundy. The Herald also offers \$500 for information leading to the first arrest of "any of the enemy agents" who, newspaper alleges, infest Halifax.

### BONE DRY PETITION CLOSED IN CALIFORNIA

(By Associated Press)  
SACRAMENTO, Aug. 6.—The initiative measure prohibiting the manufacture, sale or importation of intoxicating liquors in California, except denatured alcohol after December 3rd, has qualified for the November election ballot.

### SUBMARINED CREW LANDS

(By Associated Press)  
CANADIAN ATLANTIC PORT, Aug. 6.—The crew of a British schooner sunk yesterday by a U-boat has been landed at a Nova Scotia town.

### NEST OF HUNS AT MEXICALI USE WIRELESS PLANT

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—Government agents are investigating activities of Germans or German-Americans in Lower California where a wireless plant has been located. Reports indicate that groups of fifty Germans changing weekly have been found at Mexicali, in Lower California. They congregate at a store started by a German known to have been an active propagandist before the United States entered war and used wireless which is capable of communicating with Mexico City.

### TEN MEN KILLED IN MEXICAN FIGHT

(By Associated Press)  
NOGALES, Aug. 6.—A supposed revolutionary band of fifty men under Francisco Casanova is reported trapped by Mexican federales on the east side of the Sierra Azul. Ten of them were killed at the first stand. Mexican officials believe Casanova is a supporter of the alleged new revolution in the interests of General Juan Cabral and Juan Medina.

### ALLIED FORCES IN ARCHANGEL

(By Associated Press)  
LONDON, Aug. 6.—It is officially announced that allied military forces were landed Friday at Archangel in concurrence with the wishes of the Russian population. Their presence caused general enthusiasm.

### ARTILLERY ACTIVE AROUND AMIENS

(By Associated Press)  
LONDON, Aug. 6.—German guns were active last night northeast of Amiens. They threw gas shells into the British lines.

### GENEROUS EXEMPTION IN DRAFT

GENERAL CROWDER FAVORS LIBERAL INTERPRETATION OF THE LAW

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—The pro-vost marshal general in explaining to the senate military committee the broader exemption provisions of the new man-power bill explained that he deemed it advisable to make a more liberal interpretation of the law to prevent induction of men over thirty-two performing essential work at home, although not actually in industrial occupations.

### ZEPPELIN BROUGHT DOWN IN LONDON

(By Associated Press)  
LONDON, Aug. 6.—One Zeppelin was brought down in last night's air raid. Another German airship was damaged but probably returned to its base.

### ATROCIOUS LIES ABOUT AMERICAN BOYS IN FRANCE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 6.—The pro-German slanders against our troops in France have now reached Alaska. There, the people are being told that "Americans soldiers on leave from the trenches are permitted to contract 'morganatic marriages' with French girls, which are automatically dissolved upon the soldier being called back to the front, so that upon his next leave he is permitted to enter into another such contract with another girl." The war department reports: "This is a thorough-going falsehood. A great many fantastic stories come to us each day for authoritative denial, but there is scarcely any so totally lacking in foundation as this one concerning 'morganatic marriages.'" The Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. agents returning from France are continually bearing witness to the good moral conditions among our troops in France. The surgeon-general's reports show that the hospital admission rate for venereal diseases among these men has been as low as one-tenth of the rate that prevailed among the drafted men when they were first gathered into the cantonments last autumn.

### GERMANY TREMBLING IN HORROR

BELIEF GROWING THAT FORCE OF ARMS CANNOT DECIDE THE WAR

(By Associated Press)  
AMSTERDAM, Aug. 6.—A dispatch to the Handelsblad says: "The number of those in Germany who, like the former foreign secretary, von Kuehlmann, are convinced that force of arms will not put Germany on its feet again, is growing. There is sufficient justification for a less comfortable feeling now than a few months ago, because of the retreat from the Marne, the American danger and the precarious political economic situation in Austria. The Russian question causes the greatest anxiety."

### MAY DECLARE WAR ON JAPS

(By Associated Press)  
LONDON, Aug. 6.—It is reported from Moscow by way of Berlin that the Bolshevik government of Russia is considering a declaration of war against Japan, according to a Copenhagen dispatch.

### CHANGE OPINION OF AMERICANS

(By Associated Press)  
AMSTERDAM, Aug. 6.—"The Americans have shown themselves to be thoroughly good fighters," according to the Berlin correspondent of the Cologne Volks Zeitung, who adds: "This enhances the success which our brave troops and their commanders attained."

### BRITISH ENVOY ARRIVES HOME

(By Associated Press)  
NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—Earl Piddington, British ambassador and high commissioner to the United States, arrived in London today, the British bureau of information announced, and went to confer with the British war cabinet.

### TODAY AND A YEAR AGO

Official readings of the thermometer by the United States observer at Tonopah:

	1918	1917
5 a. m.	56	62
10 a. m.	68	73
12 noon	73	82
Maximum, Aug. 5	82	89
Minimum, Aug. 5	53	64
Relative humidity at noon today, 16 per cent.		